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Attention: CT Higher Education Committee

Regarding: HB No. 5014 A Tax Credit for Providers of Nursing Clinical Experiences.

Dear Legislators,

I am in full support of HB No 5014, providing a tax credit for providers of Nursing Clinical Experiences. I am the Specialty Director for the Adult-Gerontologic Nurse Practitioner program at Yale University School of Nursing. Our program combined with the Family Nurse Practitioner Program of which I maintain managerial oversight produces approximately 40 Advanced Practice Nurses annually to meet the primary care needs of individuals in our community and in the larger context of this country. A major factor that limits the ability to educate new nurse practitioners is the availability of clinical sites that can provide training to our students. Preceptors donate large amounts of time and teaching to providing clinical training to support these future generations of nurse practitioners and are vital to the success of our program.

Providing support through a tax credit to our dedicated preceptors who offer their time without remuneration is extremely important in both filling the primary care health needs in the community and making education accessible to students without added fees to pay for obtaining their clinical experiences. Of late, some schools in the state have been paying providers for their work with students in community-based agencies, which has led to preceptors rejecting nurse practitioner students who are not able to afford these added fees. In addition, much of medical training is remunerated either through employer provisions or governmental subsidies provided for training which are not available for nursing student training.

I strongly support this bill and urge you to pass this – it will make a major difference in being able to find willing preceptors for our Nurse Practitioner students.

Thank you for your consideration,

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